



THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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**T'WAS A NICE DAY AT HOEBRIDGE WITH THE COURSE LOOKING GREAT -
AND THE NEXT NAME IS EDDIE! - TO APPEAR ON PEER'S PLATE**

The Wayfairers held their recent annual gathering at Hoebridge on a rather murky grey day but the forecast rain never did materialise, the ever persistent cold wind had abated and the temperature was extremely pleasant. Altogether a much better day for playing golf than had been expected and the Course was in truly excellent condition.

29 players including one guest took to the field. This should in fact have been 31 but Graham & Val Ward en route to the venue decided to stop and attempt the impossible feat of successfully mixing petrol fuel with diesel! Naturally they failed, much to the detriment of Graham's temper and the contents of his wallet and as a consequence they never did make it to Hoebridge. However Graham reported back later that he did beat Val in the putting contest round the petrol pumps, as they waited for what seemed to be forever to get their problem sorted!

Back at Hoebridge despite the Course being so good, the scoring didn't quite match the same standard. The shared top total was a mere 31pts, with guest Mike Shiel just squeezing out Eddie Stanley on count back. As the member with the best result however, Eddie won both the Wayfairers Trophy and Peer's Plate. Unfortunately the Plate was mislaid on the day but will be officially presented to him on some future occasion.

Finishing close behind the winning pair on 30 was our Match Co-ordinator John B. who had a bit of a field day by also claiming the 19 & Over Longest Drive Tankard and winning one of the top prizes in the raffle. John won't be with us for our next meeting and we all wish him the very best for a successful outcome following his forthcoming knee operation.

While Graham & Val were having a personal putting competition, an innovation was introduced at Hoebridge by Carl which also involved putting. All players were requested to put £1 in the pot and then record the total number of putts they took over their 18 holes, with the entry fees going into our charity fund. At the finish it was well done Bill Eslor! - he took just 29 putts in total, with this including 7 single putts. This works out at just over one and a half putts per hole! No wonder he's off 10 handicap! His regular playing partner Robert Crompton didn't do quite so well as can be seen in the results section below but his efforts did win him a second hand practice golf ball!

With our March meeting at Coulsdon being cancelled due to snow, this was the first "full" meeting of 2013 with the year already very nearly half way through. As a lot of members had not met up for some time, there was a very convivial atmosphere back in the Clubhouse. A good supply of appetisers were followed by a nice meal and then all the usual banter and wisecracks came to the fore as the raffle, Knock Out Pairs Draw and prize giving rounded off a most enjoyable day.

HOEBRIDGE RESULTS

With the Top Score of the day (won on count back) was guest **Mike Shiel 31pts**

Winner of Peer's Plate & The Wayfairers Trophy - **Eddie Stanley 31pts**

3rd **John Bateson 30pts** 4th **John Benstead 29pts (c/b)**

Team Prize **Ken Cooper Norman Lovelock Alan Rose & guest Mike Shiel 76***

(*Despite recording best 3 scores instead of best 2 - holes 7 to 9 - still the winners)

2nd **Mike Colenutt Peter Smith Peter Rushton & John Benstead 69**

Carl's Putting Contest 1st **Bill Eslor 29 putts** Back of the Pile **Robert Crompton 41 putts**

Nearest the Pin "**Deadly**" **David Rose** Open Longest Drive **John "The Beast" Benstead**

19 & Over Longest Drive **John "Hop Along" Bateson** Birdie Cap **Jeff "2 Birdies" Hogg**

Hedgehog **Derek "Daren't Cross The Road" Reeves**

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING AT FOXBRIDGE ON FRIDAY 21st JUNE

This is the day we play for the Two Ronnies Trophy but due to unusual circumstances the format of the Competition this year will be different. The normal pattern is for John B. to draw all the players' names in pairs when everyone has arrived. This year John will not be with us, as only a few days previously he will have had his long awaited knee operation and our Secretary will be extremely busy as players come in, sorting out the traditional "Open Draw" and "The Lost Balls in the Water" competition.

What will happen this year is that the Two Ronnies Trophy will go to the 2 members who record the top 2 scores of the day and whichever one of these has the very best score, he or she will take the Wayfairers Trophy as well. Playing groups will be sorted out prior to the event, not on the day.

This new system could in fact have some advantages. 1) It will no longer be imperative to field an exact number of players which is divisible by 2 in order that everyone has a partner. 2) This means no need to be making desperate last minute phone calls to replace late drop outs. 3) Members will now be able to play with their guests, as previously because guests could not win an engraved trophy, they had to be paired off with another guest and the hope was that their total number could be split evenly into pairs. 4) Some members currently not playing their best golf might well be relieved not to be put in a position of feeling they don't want to let their drawn partner down.

As regards the golf competitions, as well as playing for the Two Ronnies Trophy (current holders Norman Lovelock & John Cunnington) and the Wayfairers Trophy (won at Hoebridge by Eddie Stanley) there will be all the other usual minor contests of skill - or luck!

TIMING Coffee & Bacon Rolls available from 09.30. 18 holes starts at 10.28. Two Course Meal with coffee at approx. 4.30pm. As this is Foxbridge which has limited changing accommodation there is no necessity to change before the meal.

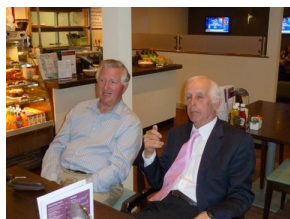
Upon arrival J. McD will relieve everyone of £1 to pay for entry into our "Guess the Number of Balls Lost in the Water" competition. All takings will go to our charity fund with a nice prize for the winner and a most appropriate prize for the worst guess! For the record, last year a mere 33 balls were lost but prior to this it was 45, the year before this 50 and worst of all was 2009, when an incredible 79 ended up in a watery grave!

As there is no raffle, John will also give everyone opportunity to draw 2 numbered tickets and whatever numbers you get will determine later on which 2 top golfers are yours for the forthcoming Open. The £2 entry fee for this will be part of the payment required by Tony.

COST FOR THE DAY Cost for coffee, bacon rolls, 18 holes, a 2 Course meal with coffee, all prizes and your entry fee to have 2 players in the Open is £34. A great value deal for mid Summer's day!

Guests are welcome but as usual payment cannot be accepted until the final total number of members playing has been verified.

AND THE DEADLINE TO PAY? This is **MONDAY 3rd JUNE**. For every one of our meetings Tony has to make many un-necessary phone calls or send emails, because replies have not been received by the due date. Come on Wayfairers, be fair to Tony and please observe the deadline!



Thanks Peer for your great generosity every year on this occasion. Will it be Jeff's turn to win next time?



Carl checks the number of £1's in the Putting Pot. In fact £29 was raised for our Charity. Thanks Carl.



Eddie rattles his balls in preparation for the KO Pairs Draw! See page 5 for who plays who.

PICTURES FROM HOEBRIDGE



3rd Place
John Bateson



Team Competition Winners
**Mike Shiel (G), Alan Rose, Ken Cooper
and Norman Lovelock**



**4th Place and
Open Longest Drive**
John Benstead



Winner of Nearest the Pin
David Rose



**Winner of Peer's Plate and the
Wayfairers Trophy**
Eddie Stanley



**Winner of the
Putting Competition**
Bill Eslor



Winner of the 19 and Over LD
John Bateson



Overall Winner
Mike Shiel (G)



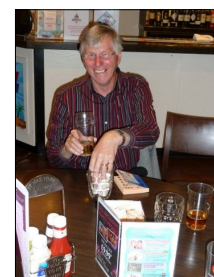
Winner of the Birdie Cap
Jeff Hogg



Winner of the HedgeHog
Derek Reeves



**Bottom of the Putting
League!**
Robert Crompton



Derek Allen
our Raffle Ticket Salesman
fiddling the draw!

Future Programme For the Wayfairers 2013.

Friday 21st June Two Ronnies Pairs at Foxbridge

Monday 22nd July Our Charity

Finale Day & President's Trophy at Slinfold

Friday 16th August belated Spring Cup at Coulsdon

Monday 2nd September Pink Ball Day at Hassocks

Monday 21st October AGM & Autumn Cup at Bletchingley

100 UP - OUR NEXT EDITION!

When our Society was first formed in 1995, computer technology was nowhere near advanced as it is now and for several years following every meeting all members received through the post a very plain 2 page newsletter which gave results of the last gathering together with details of the next. These newsletters were not numbered in any sequence.

In March 1999 came the break through! Our current President Barry Richards became publishing manager of "The Wayfairer". Each edition of our new look newsletter was numbered and for the first time photographs were included as well as all the news.

Since then to date 99 full editions have been published not counting "casual day" supplements and the next will be our 100th!

Initially, with numerous copies required, "The Wayfairer" still had to be printed and then posted to members making the cost of including coloured photos prohibitive. All this changed however when Derek Reeves opened our website and now everyone with computers has the convenience of receiving all the publications directly, complete with coloured photographs. A great deal of time spent previously on printing, stapling, folding and preparing envelopes has been done away with and postage costs have been reduced significantly.

The forthcoming 100th edition has given us now a golden opportunity to thank both Barry & Derek for all their excellent work on behalf of our Society.

OUR HOEBRIDGE RAFFLE

Many thanks to new member Derek Allen for doing such an excellent job with the raffle ticket sales. Despite our numbers being reduced he took £150. Well done Derek! £30 of this has immediately been earmarked for our Charity Fund and added to this is a further £36 which was raised at Hoebridge through Carl's Putting Competition, together with a £1 contribution from every player who blobbed the dreaded 17th Hole.

As we have the Open Championship draw at Foxbridge there is no raffle but at the meeting following this (Slinfold), we will be holding our traditional Grand Charity Raffle when members are requested to provide all the prizes. Please start looking out for some as from now but please note they are not required by your Committee until the big day. Many thanks.

HOEBRIDGE 30 & OVER CLUB

This is a very exclusive Club as it has just 2 members!

Eddie Stanley 31pts & John Bateson 30pts

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

With just 2 qualifying meetings having been held, way out in the lead is Bill Eslor on 62 followed by John Bateson with 55. Sue McD (48) holds a 2pt lead over Annie in the Ladies Championship. Still a long long way to go!

HANDICAP INFORMATION PLEASE NOTE

On the review handicap list featured opposite, we now show all **players' scores** at our last meeting in **black numbers**.

Justification for handicap changes can thus clearly be seen based on the average score of **25**

H/Caps for FOXBRIDGE

ALLEN	27	22
ATWELL	24	20
BATESON	30	25
BENSTEAD	29	22
BLAKELEY	21	7
CATTERALL		23
CHURCH		17
COLENUT L	21	25
COLENUT M	22	19
COOPER	23	18
CROMPTON	22	16
CUNNINGTON		34
ESLOR	28	10
GIRLING	28	31
GOMAN	28	17
HARRIS		24
HISTED	28	19
HITAM	26	25
HOGG	28	8
HORSFALL,B		36
HOULIHAN		22
KNIGHT		9
LOVELOCK N	26	17
McDONNELL, J	27	25
McDONNELL, S	22	10
PRITCHARD		17
REEVES	17	34
RIDDLES, A		33
RIDDLES, M		36
ROSE A	27	27
ROSE D	27	29
ROSNER, C	28	22
RUSHTON	25	16
SANDS		31
SHELLEY	26	16
SMITH	26	10
STACEY	26	18
STANLEY	31	20
STOREY		5
WARD V		22
WARD G		12
WARRILOW		36
WILKES		5
WILLIAMS		27
WOOLLEY R		17
WOOLLEY, Ruby		22
ZINKE	27	11



WAYFAIRERS PAIRS K.O. 2013

DRAW & RULES BELOW.

(Current Holders Eddie Stanley & Peter Rushton)



QUARTER FINALS TO BE
PLAYED BY THE
24th JUNE

Chris Wilkes & Peter Storey

v

Graham & Val Ward

Bill Eslor & Brian Girling

v

Roger Sands & Kevin Stacey

Peter Rushton & Eddie Stanley

v

Carl Rosner & Andy Knight

Spencer Atwell & Peter Smith

v

John Benstead & Robert Crompton

SEMI FINALS
PLAYED BY THE
29th JULY

FINAL
TO BE PLAYED
BY THE
2nd SEPT

WINNERS

Rules.

Any handicap adjustments are to be made as the Competition proceeds. Current Wayfairers Handicaps at the time of playing will be on the website and in the latest editions of the Wayfairer.

All games should be played by the due dates. Failure to complete in time will result in the organiser deciding on who goes through to the next round. Only unforeseen reasons for a delay will be considered.

Venues chosen should be by mutual decision but it is the first named pairing who should make the initial approach suggesting dates and place.

Ladies to play off ladies tees and play to ladies card and stroke index. On completion of each match the winning team are requested to notify the result promptly to **Eddie Stanley** who, when he knows, will inform them who their opponents are in the next round. Also the current situation will be constantly updated on the website.

HANDICAPPING - a reminder. The lowest handicap player plays off scratch and the other players receives strokes on the basis of 3/4 of the difference between their handicaps and the lowest handicap - strokes to be taken at the appropriate stroke index holes.

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

FRIDAY 21st JUNE - FOXBRIDGE

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

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I am available for the above - Members Fee £34*

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Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Foxbridge

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If space allows ** I wish to bring a playing guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £34

Playing Guest's Name.....H/cap.....

*Please note your £34 includes the full cost for the day plus entry into the draw to secure 2 players in the forthcoming Open Championship

Should you intend to book a buggy at Foxbridge please tick this box.

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By doing so you will be put into the same playing group as any other member who also requires a buggy and you will be advised who this person is. Once you have this information booking the buggy will be the responsibility of both of you.

This slip & applicable cheque for the relevant amount (**excluding playing guest fee**)

made out to:

"The Wayfairers Golfing Society"

Must be forwarded to:

Tony Warrilow, 16 Orchard Way, Shirley, CR0 7NG

Tel: 0208 777 7346

BY Monday 3rd June

- 1) Unless advised previously, it is expected that members and their guests remain until after the competition prizes have been awarded.
- 2) **Members wishing to bring playing guests will be advised if a vacancy exists after the deadline date. Payment must be received at least 7 days before the meeting.